

**FOUR LORIMER
BANKS CLOSED
IN CHICAGO****La Salle Trust's Big With-
drawals Carry Three
Subsidiaries Down.****SECURITY QUESTIONED
ON \$1,200,000 LOANS****Combined Deposits Exceed
\$6,000,000 and Cash
Means \$1,400,000.****WHEAT MEN SUSPEND****Bank Troubles Partly Attributed
to Politics—State Examiner
Now in Charge.**

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)

Chicago, June 12.—Four of the bank-
ing enterprises built up in Chicago by
Charles B. Munday and William Lorimer
were closed to-day by the State
Banking Department. When the crash
came the values remaining were of
such a negligible character that none
of the solvent banks could be induced
to extend a helping hand.

According to the records, there had
been extracted from the La Salle Street
Trust and Savings Bank about \$1,200,-
000 in the way of loans on collateral
said to be unmarketable.

The banks forced by D. V. Harkin,
the State Bank Examiner, to close their
doors were the La Salle Street Trust
and Savings Bank, the Ashland-Twelfth
State Bank, the Broadway State Bank,
and the Illinois State Bank. The State
Bank of Calumet, a fourth subsidiary,
was not closed.

These sums have been drawn within
the last few days by the La Salle Street
Trust from the four subsidiary banking
institutions, evidently to tide over the
larger bank. Ashland-Twelfth Street
State Bank, \$180,000; Broadway State
Bank, \$175,000; Illinois State Bank,
\$170,000; State Bank of Calumet, \$115,-
000. Total, \$640,000.

Securities Called "Bad."

The state bank examiner took pos-
session of the banks after Lorimer and
Munday acknowledged to him that it
was impossible for them to clear up
certain securities and collateral carried
in the assets of the bank classed as
"bad" by the State Auditor's office.

The State Auditor had been insistent
that these securities be replaced by
"good" collateral, ever since the first
and only examination made of the bank
in the new Democratic administration,
in January.

Action of the state officials comes
soon after the legal proceedings against
James J. Brady, State Auditor, and the
suit filed by John H. Coyne, in which
the names of C. B. Munday, vice-presi-
dent of the La Salle Street Bank, and
others were mentioned. Rumors of a
receivership are current.

The Ashland-Twelfth Bank was the
center of a riot when its depositors
learned of the closing. Men and women
clamored for their money. Refusal
was met by excited cries, and before
the police arrived a stone was thrown
through a window and a rush was made
on the locked door. Policemen restored
order.

The banks were known as the Lorimer-
Munday chain of banks. The
La Salle st. bank was the main in-
stitution, the others being outlying con-
cerns, whose balances and reserves
were carried to a great extent by it.
Combined they have deposits of \$6,-
411,907 and reported cash means of
\$1,424,652.

Of their deposits, \$966,000 consists of
city funds. The bulk of this amount,
\$650,000, is on deposit with the La
Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank.
The sanitary district of Chicago has
\$75,000 in the La Salle st. bank.

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WILLIAM LORIMER.**TWO KILLED IN
ATCHISON WRECK****Passenger Train Ditched by Open
Switch Hits Another Train
in California.**

San Bernardino, Cal., June 12.—Two
passengers were killed and several per-
sons injured at Bagdad, Cal., nine miles
east of Barstow, to-night, when an
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe pas-
senger train, No. 4, eastbound, ran into
an open switch.

W. B. Storey, vice-president of the
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, at Chi-
cago, confirmed the report of the
wreck. He said eastbound passenger
train No. 4 ran into an open switch
and a train. A special relief train was
started from Needles, Cal.

WOMAN GETS ZIEGLER CASH
**Miss Brandt Drops Suit—Re-
ceives \$375,000.**

The long standing litigation of Miss
Florence L. Brandt, a school teacher
of Davenport, Iowa, by which she
sought to get a part of the \$15,000,000
estate left by William Ziegler, the bak-
ing powder manufacturer, who adopted
her, was discontinued in the Supreme
Court yesterday on the payment of
\$375,000 to Miss Brandt by her brother,
William Ziegler, who was also adopted
by Mr. Ziegler, and who took the name
of his foster father. The adopted son
inherited practically the entire estate.

The settlement made by Ziegler on
his sister was in a suit Miss Brandt
brought for \$250,000, which amount
she said her former foster father had
promised her if she was graduated
from school with honors. She did
graduate with honor, but it was after
the death of Mr. Ziegler. William
Ziegler investigated her claim and be-
came convinced of its merit, whereupon
he agreed to pay her the promised
\$250,000 with interest of \$125,000.

Several years before his death Mr.
Ziegler had the letters of adoption of
Miss Brandt abrogated.

FIRE ON POLICE IN HUNT**Citizens Mistake Bluecoats on
Roofs for Burglars.**

Policemen searching for burglars on
the roofs of the buildings on the north
side of 135th st., near Amsterdam ave.,
early to-day, were themselves made
targets for bullets from frightened
people who thought they were burglars.

Joseph Dowling, of 513 West 135th
st., was the man who discovered the
burglars. He called Patrolman Tru-
man, of the West 125th st. station.
Several others were brought to aid in
the hunt and all went to the roof.
They were conducting a thorough
search when an awakened neighbor-
hood, particularly in 136th st., began
to shoot from windows.

Several bullets came dangerously
near the policemen before they could
convince the shooters of the mistake.

**WEATHER MELTS
HEART OF ACTRESS****Miss Mittern, Sorry for Man She
Had Arrested, Because It's So
Hot Wants Him Freed.**

Miss Maud Mittern, Paula Dana on
the stage, who recently caused the ar-
rest of Colonel Edward Harrison
Power, a mining man of Wyoming, be-
cause he was so slow in paying his
promised settlement of her breach of
promise suit, yesterday begged Sheriff
Griffenhagen to have the arrest order
vacated.

"It is so dreadfully warm in New
York, you know," she said, "that it
would be a hardship to keep him here.
He wants to leave the city, and I want
to help him do so. And the poor colo-
nel is getting so fat! I was very sorry
for my haste after I had him arrested,
and I want to do what I can for him
now. I am doing this on my own ac-
cord; he did not ask me to do it."

Sheriff Griffenhagen informed the
young woman that as the colonel was
under bail he could not consent to the
arrangement unless application were
made by her counsel.

**GANGSTERS BACK
OF CUNARD PLOT****Mother of Negro Burton
Says Boy Was Tool of
Experienced Crooks.****NEW HAVEN RECEIVES
DEMAND FOR \$35,000****Police Declare It Was Written by
Prisoner, Who Insists He Want-
ed Money for Family.**

Joseph Burton, the negro arrested
Thursday for attempting to blackmail
the Cunard Steamship Company, is a
member of a gang which has infested
Brooklyn for the last three months,
according to his mother. She lays the
boy's crime to the influence of his
associates, and declares he would never
have risked it if he had not been
forced into it by older and more ex-
perienced men.

Cunard officials agree with the old
woman. One of them, who refused to
permit the use of his name, said that
both the elaborate plot and its cold-
blooded execution indicated the expe-
rienced crook.

"The boy had backing," he said. "He
was being used by others more expert
and cautious than himself. It's incred-
ible that a negro only nineteen years
old, would plan a thing of that sort;
but he is exactly the kind of man
whom crooks pick to do their work—a
young fellow with a criminal record."

Mrs. Burton, who lives on the third
floor of a dilapidated brick house, at
107 Duffield st., Brooklyn, was more
explicit.

"Dat boy Jo has always been a bad
un," she said, wiping her brow with a
red bandanna, "and when he was
young he run away from an orphan
asylum, where I'd had him put. Then
he went to a Catholic protectorate
and got mixed up with some man who
had a boat, and then he was sent to a
school for incorrigible boys over at Bath
Beach."

"When he come out I was right here
in Brooklyn, and then he was pinched
and went to Elmira for thirteen
months. He was due to be out in last
August, but you can't get out till your
people get you a job. I walked the
streets from August to October tryin'
to get some work for him, and got
him one at a place on Broadway."

"But it wasn't no use, for the crooks
he met in Elmira kept right after him,
though I chased them out of the
house time and again, and he went
round with them till he was pulled.
They done it, all right."

The old woman poked her head out of
the window and called after a picka-
niny out in the street.

"Come in heah, you lil' black rascal,"
she said. And to the reporter: "I hope
he turns out better'n the other. I'd
rather see Jo lyin' in state than behind
the bars, I would. He always spent his
evenin's home, whatever else he did."

Mrs. Burton went on to say that Jo
could write a very good letter, "bein'
able to write in a number of hands."

This quality may possibly be due to
practice, for it developed yesterday
afternoon, according to the police, that
Jo had written Mr. Whalley, vice-presi-
dent of the New York, New Haven &
Hartford Railroad, demanding \$35,000
and threatening to blow up a train if
he didn't get it. Mr. Whalley gave the
letter to Headquarters. The police de-
clare the writing similar to that con-
veying the threat to the Cunard com-
pany.

Mrs. Burton was not wanting in ex-
planations of her son's difficulties.

"He was always a ferritin' out crime
out of the newspapers," she said; "and
he had a girl, and he'd go about writin'
poetry, and then he had to have money
to get it printed."

Burton's criminal record, in part at
least, was found in his own room. It
consisted of two releases from prison
made out to Henry Cress, said to be
his alias. One was from the City Re-
formatory on Hart's Island and was
dated February 13, 1912. The other
was an absolute release from Elmira,
dated May 18, 1914. Cress's finger
prints are identical with Burton's.

THEN SHE VANISHED**Locked-In Girl Descends by
Ladder When Men Turn Away.**

Half a dozen fire engines, a squad of
reserves from the Macdougal st. police
station and a few hundred interested
spectators gathered in front of the
building at 498 Broome st. at 7 o'clock
last night to rescue a lone stenographer
who was locked in.

Shortly after 6:30 o'clock the stenog-
rapher, Miss Molly Mat, of 96 Lewis
st., who had remained to finish some
work, found she could not leave the
office, on the fifth floor. She broke a
window, poked out her head and
screamed.

When the fire engines arrived an ex-
tension ladder was raised to the fifth
floor. The street was filled with peo-
ple and Miss Mat balked.

Perhaps it was telepathy, but Patrol-
man Welch sensed the situation. Pass-
ing the word among his fellow pa-
trolmen, he made the men in the crowd
turn their heads away.

While they were admiring the ruddy
tinted sunset Miss Mat must have
skipped down the ladder, for when the
policemen thought time was about up
they let the crowd look around, and she
was nowhere in sight.

EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON, D. C.
Last of the season—via New Jersey Cen-
tral, Reading & Baltimore & Ohio. Leaves W.
23d St. 11:50 Sat. night, Liberty St. 12:01
mtd. Ret. from Washington 4 p.m. June 14.
—Advt.**BEACHEY DROPS 45 FEET****Aviator Rendered Unconscious,
but Not Seriously Hurt.**

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)
Hartford, Conn., June 12.—While
jockeying for position in a race with
Barney Oldfield, waiting on the track
below in an automobile, Lincoln Beach-
ey's motor suddenly "went dead" late
this afternoon and he was thrown to
the Charter Oak Park lawn, forty-five
feet below. Beachey had previously
made two flights, flying above the
clouds and reappearing, flying upside
down.

Then the big event of the day was
called. The motor skipped so much
that Beachey's aircraft settled consid-
erably, so that when his power was
finally exhausted he was too low to
volplane.

When the spectators reached him
after the fall he was unconscious, but
not seriously injured.

**ELLA WINTER NOT
SUICIDE, SAYS GREENE****Maryland State's Attorney
Takes Issue with Reese's
Statement.**

(From a Staff Correspondent of The Tribune.)

Baltimore, June 12.—The question as
to how Ella G. Winter met her death
was far from being answered to-day,
and indications were not lacking that
it would find a place among the unsolved
and baffling mysteries of this section.
D. Meredith Reese, Jr., her intimate
friend, and the last person to see her
before her body was found in the river,
asserted to-day his belief that Miss
Winter had committed suicide. He
declared she had more than once
threatened to end her life.

Miss Winter's mother and sister do
not share this theory, for the second
autopsy on the girl's body, held on
Wednesday, was at the request of the
family.

The second autopsy, made in Balti-
more by Dr. Hempel, one of the city's
physicians, showed a dent in the skull
about three inches long, and this
caused a suspicion that the girl had
been murdered by a blow. The full re-
port of this autopsy, given to State's
Attorney Greene to-day, stated that the
dent was not of sufficient size to cause
death, and was only an abrasion of the
skin. Dr. Hempel was confident that
the girl had not been assaulted.

Reese declared to-day that he "had
hesitated to advance the suicide theory
because he was anxious to protect the
girl and her family." He declared that
Mrs. Cornet, wife of the janitor of the
Corinthian Yacht Club, and Mrs. Jennie
Herald had often heard Miss Winter
threaten suicide.

The girl boarded with Mrs. Herald
about four years ago. Mrs. Herald had
met her about a "week before she dis-
appeared, and the stenographer had
spoken of Reese's fondness for another
woman.

"I came across Ella on the corner,"
Mrs. Herald said. "While I was talk-
ing to her she started to cry. I asked
her what was the matter. She said:
'I've got another woman on the boat.
I'm afraid of that woman and of him,
too. I'm afraid they'll kill me.'"
"I asked her why she didn't stay
away from the boat, and her reply
was: 'I can't. I can't.'"

Reese Denies "Another Woman."

Reese said he could not understand
Mrs. Herald's statement. "I do not
know what other woman she means,"
he protested. "I have had several little
parties on the boat, and have gone with
a number of girls recently, paying no
particular attention to any one of them."

The authorities here believe that at
least one person saw Miss Winter
drown. They believe that some one
knew how she met death but will not
tell.

States Attorney Green declared to-
night that he did not believe that Miss
Winter had committed suicide.
"I do not care what Reese or the
Heralds say," he asserted, "this is not
a case of suicide. I happen to know."
Asked how he knew, he refused to
tell. He declined to say, however, that
he believed Miss Winter had been
murdered.

**MRS. FISH LOSES IN
FIGHT FOR PICTURE****Italy Seized \$4,000 Painting—
Pay Her Only \$100, the Price
Valuation She Made.**

Mrs. Hamilton Fish has given up her
two years' fight to regain from the
Italian government her \$4,000 old mas-
ter bought from her at her own price
when she valued it for customs at \$10.
Her lawyers have informed her that
she has no redress and the government
refuses to surrender any of its rights.

When Mrs. Fish and her husband
were in Italy two years ago Mrs. Fish
purchased for \$4,000 a painting of the
Madonna and Child by Moretto de
Brescia, one of the famous artist's
masterpieces. On leaving the country
Mrs. Fish had to value the work of
art under the art exportation law. Off-
hand, she mentioned the sum of 500 lire
(\$100).

The government expert, recognizing
the true value of the picture, took Mrs.
Fish at her word, and exercising the
government's right of pre-emption,
took the picture at the price of \$100.

Mrs. Fish employed skillful lawyers in
Milan. Now she has been informed
that under the law the Italian govern-
ment was entitled to take the work of
art at the valuation she put upon it.
Mr. Fish died a few months after
making his wife a present of the pic-
ture which she had greatly admired.

**BOLTS HIT BALLOONS;
PIGEONS FLY FOR AID****Berry, of St. Louis, Hurt,
Says Bird Message, but
He Can't Be Found.****LIGHTNING STRIKES
ONE CRAFT TWICE****Big Oregon Races End Disas-
trously—U. S. Joins in Search
for Missing Men.**

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)

Portland, Ore., June 12.—Just after
news had been received to-day that
one of the four balloons which started
last evening in the \$1,000 race from the
State Fair Grounds had been wrecked
in a thunder storm, two carrier pigeons
fluttered into their cote here, one of
them bearing a message calling for
help. It told that a second balloon had
been struck by lightning and the pilot
hurt.

The message brought by the first
pigeon on a slip of paper tied to its
leg was from the balloon Million Popu-
lation Club, of St. Louis, the pilot of
which was Captain John Berry, who
had with him George Y. Morrison, a
wealthy ranchman, as his passenger.
The message said:

"Balloon struck by lightning. Berry
hurt. Come quick, Morrison."

As the brief cry for help from the
wrecked balloonists gave no clew to
where they were, nobody knew which
way to turn for the rush to their as-
sistance. Every possible effort to lo-
cate them has failed.

Outlook Is Ominous.

The greatest alarm is felt for the
safety of the others. The race officials
think it ominous that the balloonists
have not released with messages, as
agreed, any of the carrier pigeons taken
with them for the purpose of sending
bulletins back to the fair.

A dispatch from Oregon City about
noon reported that Captain H. E. Hon-
eywell, who piloted the Uncle Sam,
and Dr. W. E. Stewart, his passenger,
had arrived there after the most ter-
rifying experience.

The four balloons which started in
the race were the Kansas City II,
piloted by John Watts, of Kansas City,
with Roscoe Fawcett, of Portland, as
passenger; the Uncle Sam, Honey-
well's; the Springfield, piloted by Roy
Donaldson, of Springfield, Ill., with
Wilbur Henderson, of Portland, as
passenger, and the Million Population
Club, Berry's, like Honeywell's, a St.
Louis balloon.

Every effort is being made to find
the missing balloons. The United States
Forest Service has ordered all its rangers
to be on the lookout, and parties of
exploration in automobiles are being
planned. It is thought that if the bal-
loons have not been wrecked in the
dense forests on the slopes of the Cas-
cade Mountains they may have passed
over the range and come to grief some-
where in the sparsely settled plateau
beyond.

Captain Berry is one of the most ex-
perienced aeronauts in the country. He
was the winner of the first national
balloon race, held at Indianapolis in
1908. He has also raced in France and
Germany, representing America. He is
sixty-six years old.

The owner of the carrier pigeons
says that, judging from their condition,
they must have flown 130 to 170 miles.

Captain Honeywell and Dr. Stewart
spent the night at a farmhouse near
where their balloon was wrecked and
then made their way to Oregon City.
Captain Honeywell's ascent was his
195th. He says he has never known
anything like this one. Dr. Stewart
stood by, still shuddering, as their ex-
periences were narrated.

Caught in Storm's Vortex.

"It was about four hours after we
started that the storms burst on us,"
said Captain Honeywell. "There were
two of them raging, east and west of
us. We dropped to the 500-foot level,
hoping to run between the two tem-
pests. Instead of escaping, we found
ourselves right in the midst of a great
vortex."

"We were helpless. The storm on the
east of us was swinging northerly and
that on the west was tearing away to
the south. We were caught by one
and then rushed back by the other,
only to be picked up again and hurled
at a frightful pace in the opposite di-
rection."

"Every time we tried to go up or
down we were flung into the vortex and
whizzed away spinning. Finally the
two storms merged. They gathered
over us like a huge canopy, with the
lightning every moment rending down
the centre, tearing through the dense
dark clouds in horrifying, dazzling,
angry forks."

"When the first bolt struck us, the
shock vibrated through our bodies like
a current from a voltage machine. It
bit us round the foreheads especially,
catching our hatbands, which, of
course, were moist. The second caused
fire to fly from the rigging of the
car. I had dropped the trail rope and
had it touching the earth. That saved
us. The shock passed through our
bodies and ran down the rope, which,
being wet, made a perfect conductor."

"We decided things were growing too
interesting for comfort, and tried to
land."

"Another bolt, but only a slight one,
hit us. The wind with it drove us
down into a peach orchard, and just
as we were wrecked against one of the
trees a lightning bolt struck a tree
within forty yards of us and set fire
to it. Believe me, it was some storm."

**TWO OF CARRANZA'S DE-
LEGATES TO PEACE
CONFERENCE.**

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LUIS CABRERA (at top) AND JOSE

VASCONCELOS.

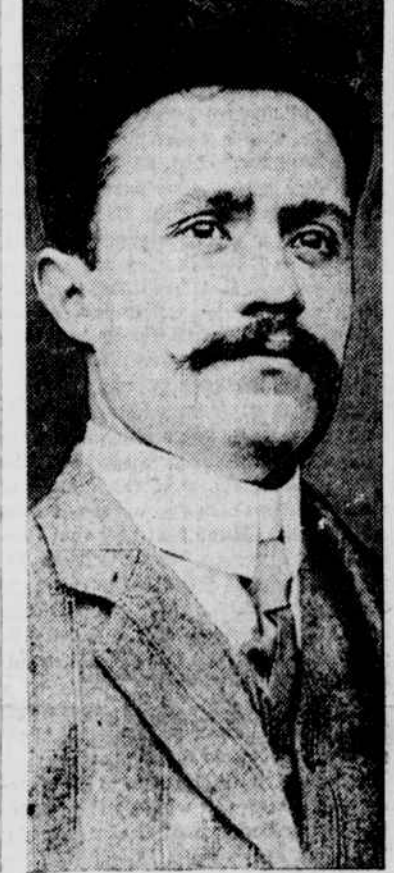


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VASCONCELOS.

**TO CATCH BURGLAR,
SHOOT YOUR LEGS****Sergeant Gallagher Establishes
a New Method—He Goes to
Hospital, Two to Cells.**

Detective Sergeant Frank M. Gal-
lagher, of the East 67th st. station, has
discovered a new way of detecting
burglars in a house. Yesterday he
caused the capture of two men by the
simple expedient of shooting himself
through both legs. Also he fell down
a flight of stairs.

A call yesterday afternoon from a
neighbor of Max Wolf, of 120 East 72d
st., said burglars were in the Wolf
house. Gallagher and Detectives Ward
and McCafferty went around to the
place. They got in through a base-
ment window and began searching.

While Ward and McCafferty were in
the basement Gallagher went upstairs.
The family is away for the summer and
the drawn shades darkened the halls.
Gallagher finished his search and
started downstairs.

At the top of the flight he stopped
and lit a match. In doing so he
caught his heel on the top step, slipped
and descended on his head, knees and
elbows. On the way his revolver hit
the stairs, was discharged and the bul-
let went through the calves of both
legs. He landed up at the bottom,
crippled and half unconscious.

The crack of the revolver convinced
Ward and McCafferty that Gallagher
was making a capture. They ran up
from the basement plump into two men
who were trying to get out of the front
hall. They covered the men with their
guns, rescued Gallagher, saw him on
his way to the Presbyterian Hospital
and took their prisoners back to the
station house.

The burglars said they were John
Dalmirsky, of 404 East 64th st., and
Bernard Stehlik, of 1457 Ave. A. They
confessed several other robberies, the
police say. They had packed up a
quantity of the Wolf linen and silver
yesterday.

BLOOD IS GIVEN IN VAIN**Dr. Ramsey, of Yale, Dies De-
spite Aid from Friend.**

(By Telegraph to The Tribune.)

New